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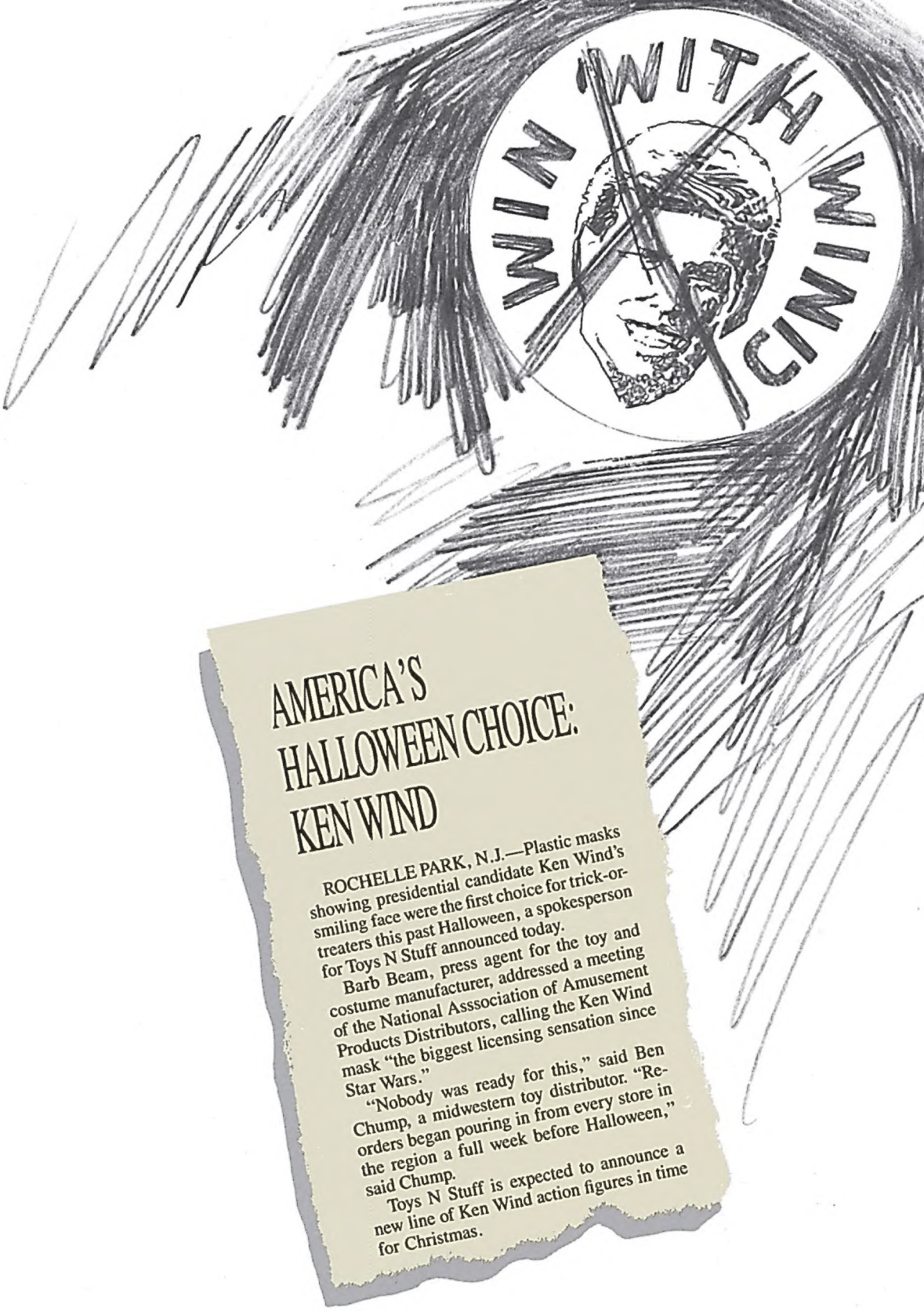


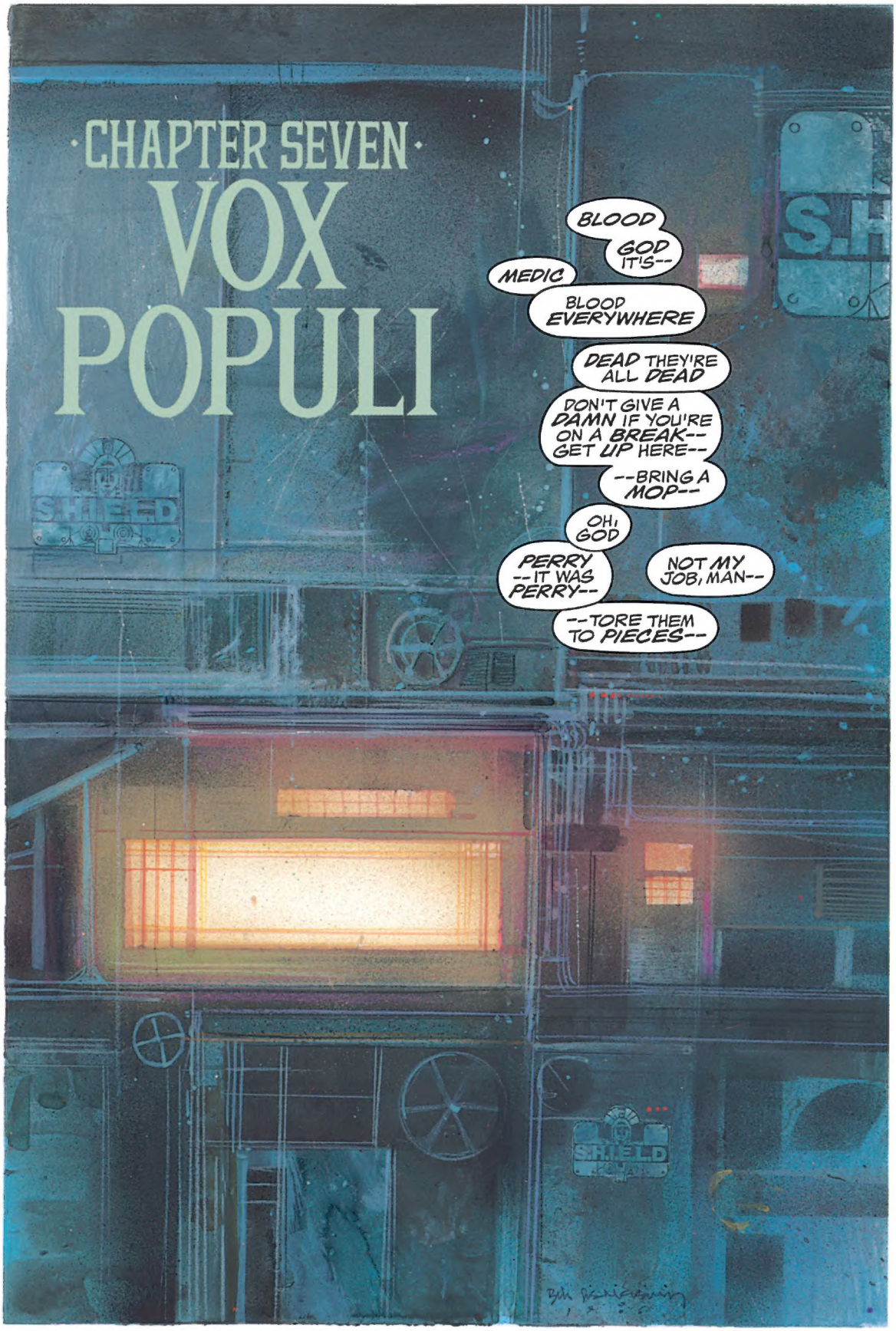
AMERICA'S HALLOWEEN CHOICE: KEN WIND

ROCHELLE PARK, N.J.—Plastic masks showing presidential candidate Ken Wind's smiling face were the first choice for trick-or-treaters this past Halloween, a spokesperson for Toys N Stuff announced today.

Barb Beam, press agent for the toy and costume manufacturer, addressed a meeting of the National Asssociation of Amusement Products Distributors, calling the Ken Wind mask "the biggest licensing sensation since Star Wars."

"Nobody was ready for this," said Ben Chump, a midwestern toy distributor. "Re-orders began pouring in from every store in the region a full week before Halloween," said Chump.

Toys N Stuff is expected to announce a new line of Ken Wind action figures in time for Christmas.



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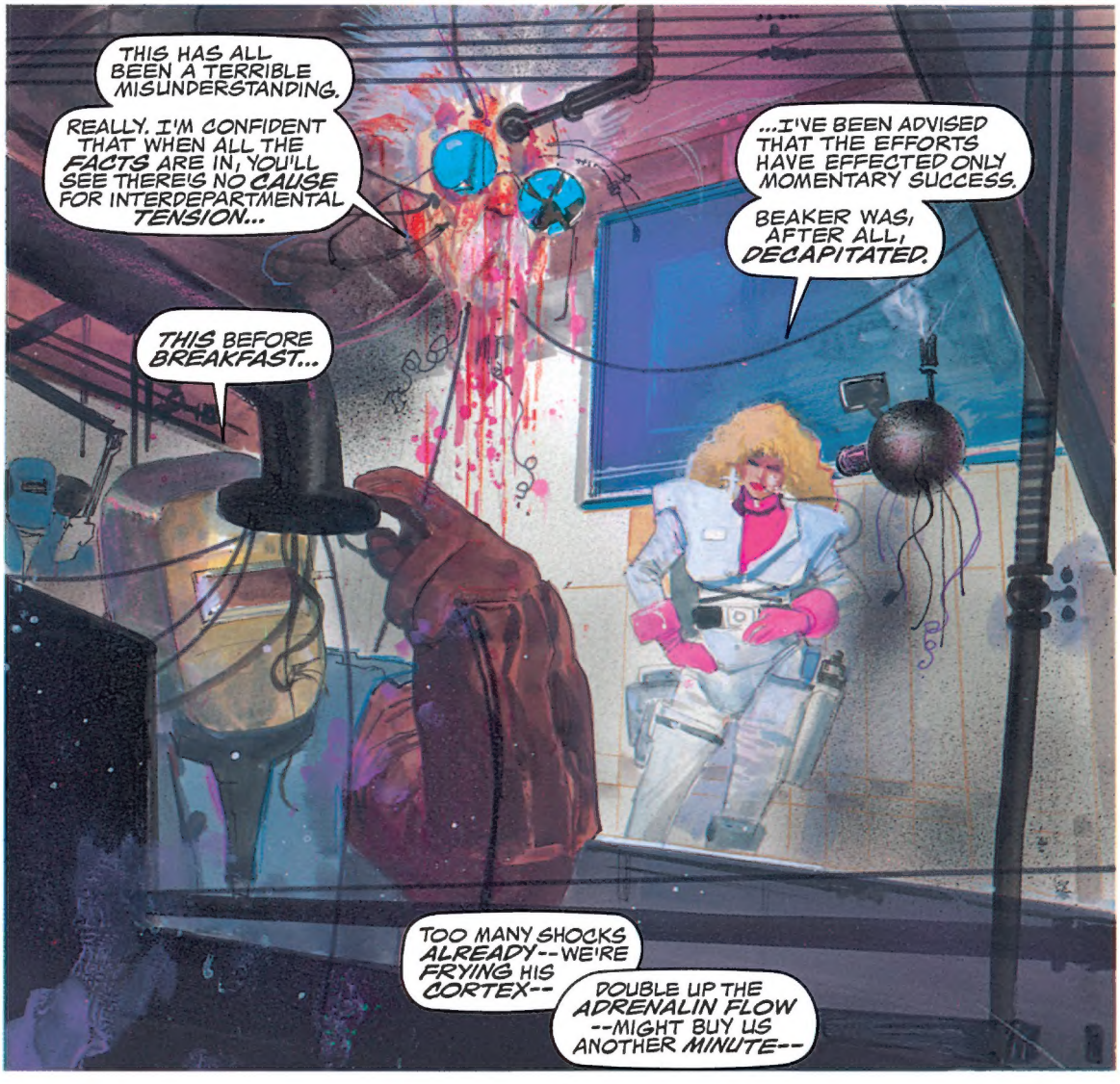
READ ME ANY MORE *UNION RULES* AND IT'S SIX WEEKS IN THE *WASTE DISPOSAL* UNIT FOR YOU, CORPORAL. NOW ROLL THAT *FILM.*

S.H.I.E.L.D

THAT'S BETTER...STATUS REPORT TO COLONEL FURY, EMERGENCY PRIORITY, AGENT CHASTITY McBRYDE DICTATING. AGENT PERRY HAS ESCAPED HELICARRIER SECURITY. PERRY HAS BEEN FULLY RECONSTRUCTED BY SHIELD'S *EXTECHOP* DIVISION...

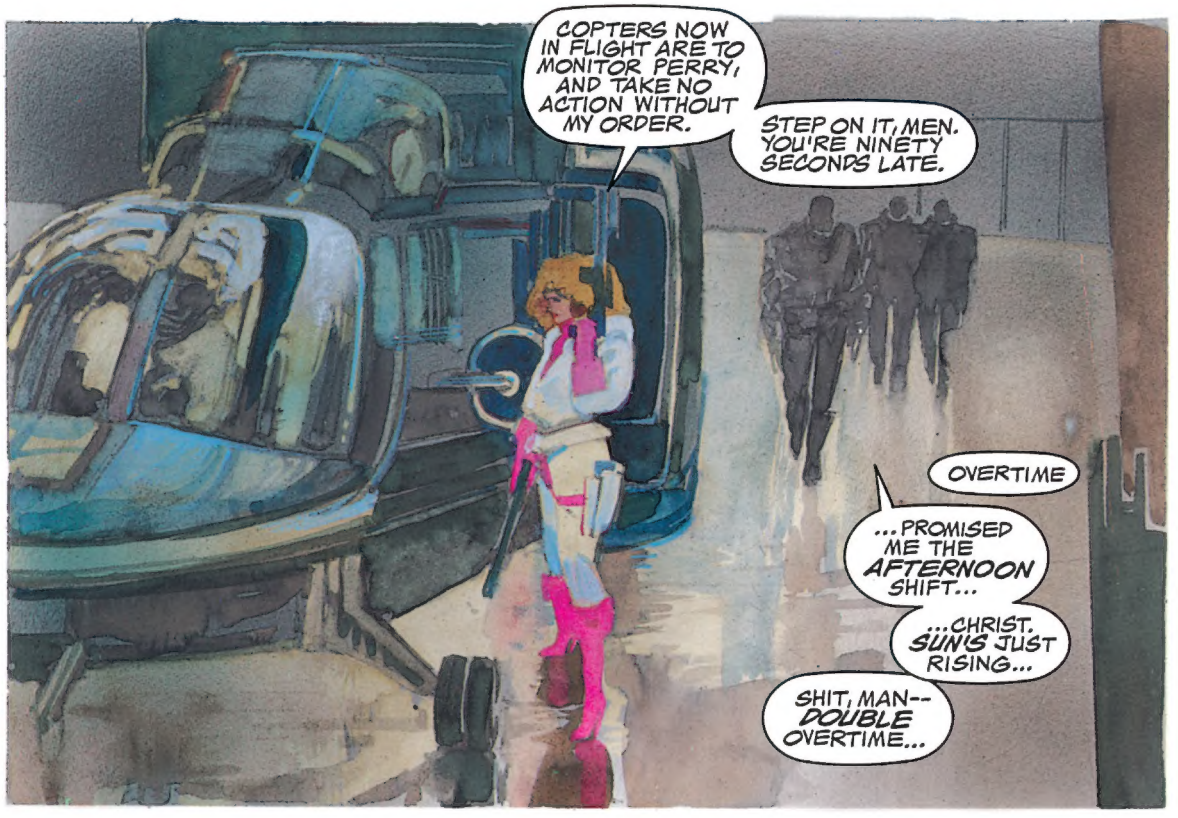
...*EXTECHOP* HAS CLAIMED THAT PERRY POSSESSES "*UNPRECEDENTED DESTRUCTIVE POWER.*" DURING HIS ESCAPE, PERRY TORE THROUGH THE STEEL *DOOR* OF HIS *CELL* WITH HIS BARE *HANDS*--

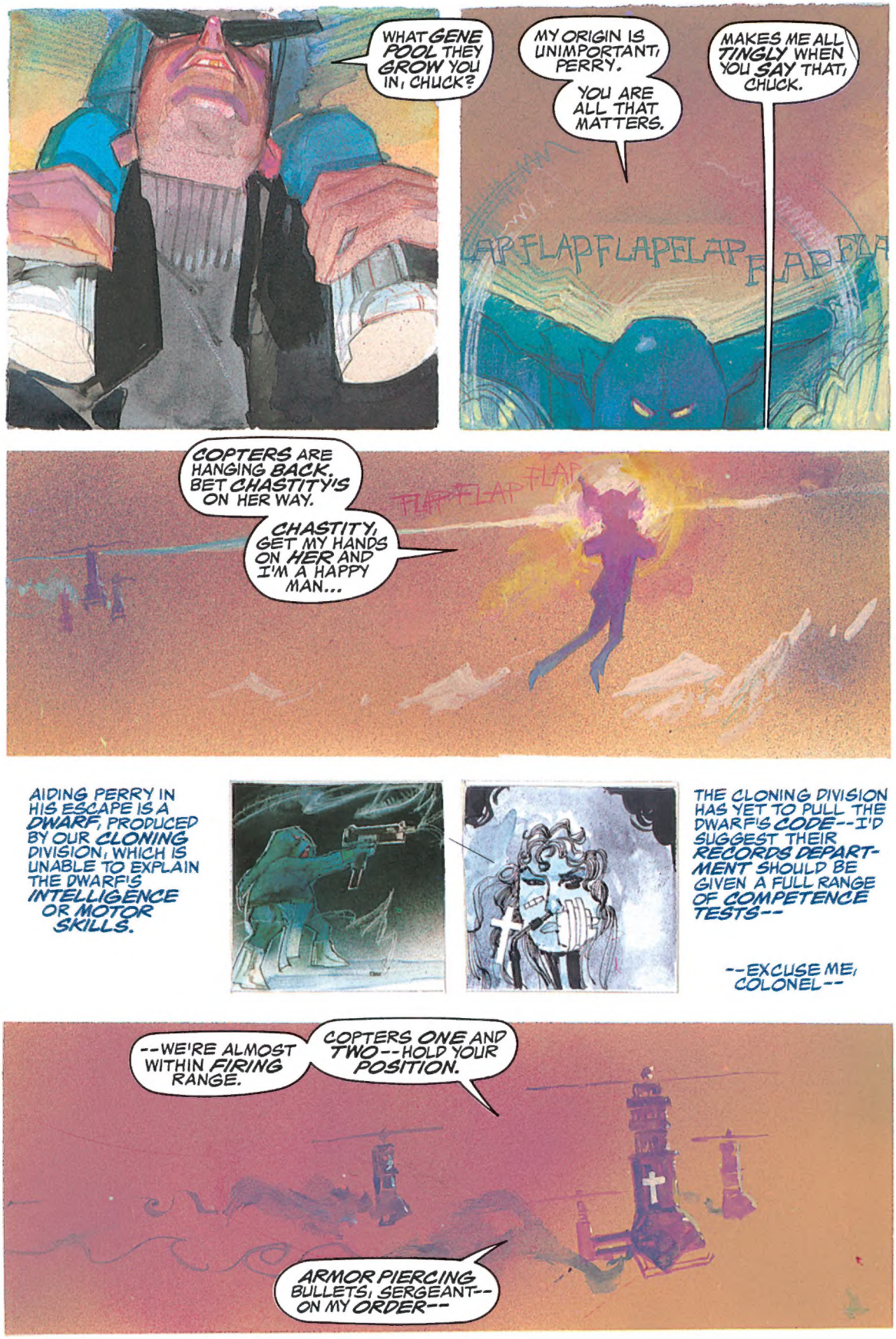
--AND *DISMEMBERED* SIX SECURITY AGENTS, AS WELL AS THE *DESIGNERS* OF HIS CYBORG BODY, DOCTORS *WRECK* AND *BEAKER.* I ORDERED *EXTECHOP* TO ATTEMPT A *REVIVICATION* OF DR. *BEAKER*...



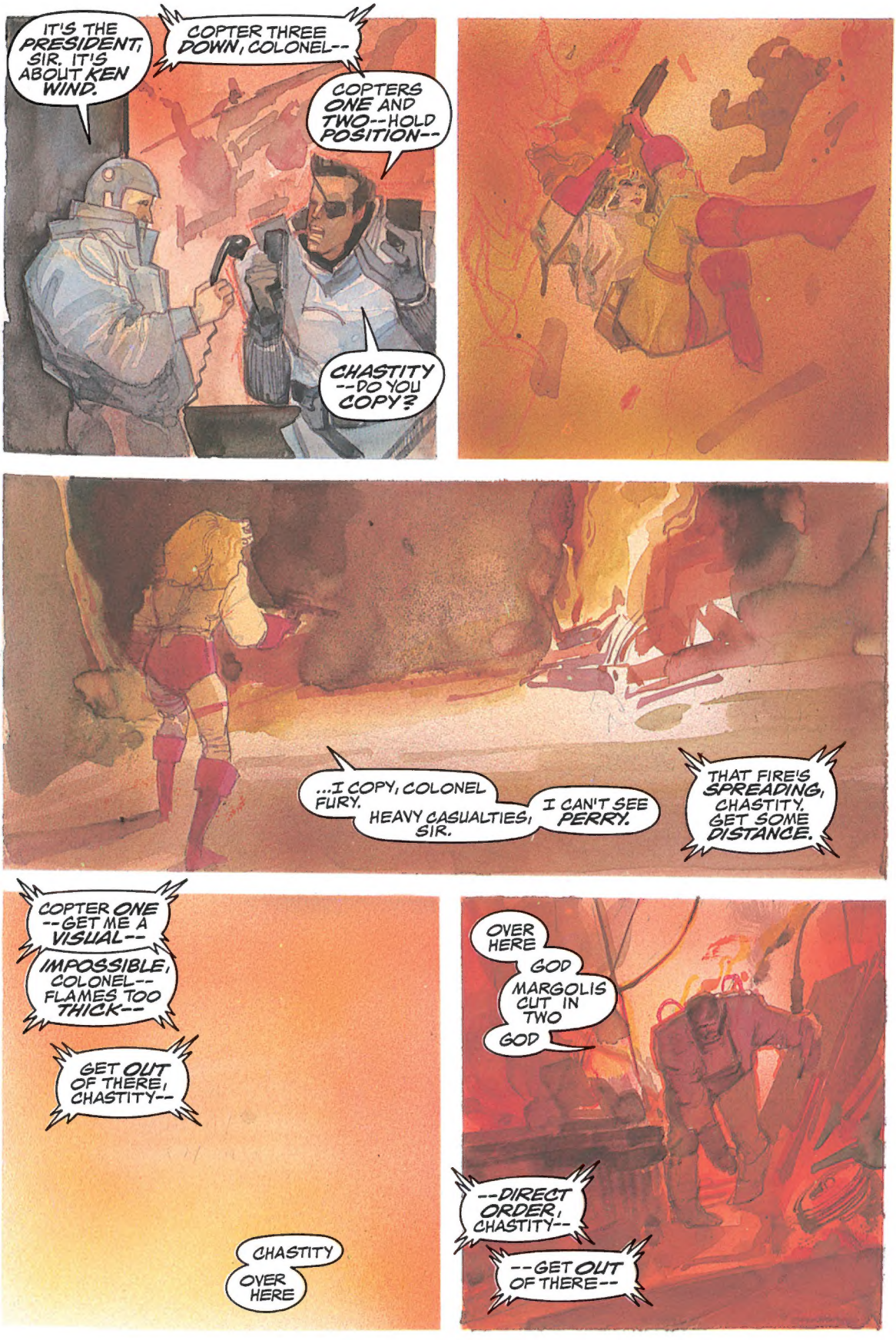
...STATUS REPORT, CONTINUED. DR. BEAKER'S DEATH LEAVES US WITH LITTLE INFORMATION AS TO PERRY'S EXACT CAPABILITIES. UNTIL THE BANKS HAVE YIELDED THE PERTINENT DATA--I'M TOLD THAT MUCH OF IT HAS BEEN EITHER ERASED OR MISFILED...

--WE MUST PROCEED IN OUR ATTEMPT TO APPREHEND PERRY BEFORE HE REACHES ANY POPULATED AREA. I AM JOINING THE HELICOPTER SQUAD NOW IN PURSUIT OF PERRY.




WHAT GENE POOL THEY GROW YOU IN, CHUCK?
MY ORIGIN IS UNIMPORTANT, PERRY.
YOU ARE ALL THAT MATTERS.
MAKES ME ALL TINGLY WHEN YOU SAY THAT, CHUCK.
FLAPFLAPFLAPELAP
COPTERS ARE HANGING BACK. BET CHASTITY'S ON HER WAY.
CHASTITY, GET MY HANDS ON HER AND I'M A HAPPY MAN...
FLAPFLAPFLAP
AIDING PERRY IN HIS ESCAPE IS A DWARF, PRODUCED BY OUR CLONING DIVISION, WHICH IS UNABLE TO EXPLAIN THE DWARF'S INTELLIGENCE OR MOTOR SKILLS.
THE CLONING DIVISION HAS YET TO PULL THE DWARF'S CODE--I'D SUGGEST THEIR RECORDS DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE GIVEN A FULL RANGE OF COMPETENCE TESTS--
--EXCUSE ME, COLONEL--
--WE'RE ALMOST WITHIN FIRING RANGE.
COPTERS ONE AND TWO--HOLD YOUR POSITION.
ARMOR PIERCING BULLETS, SERGEANT--ON MY ORDER--

--FIRE!
IT'S HER, CHUCK-- CHASTITY--
--TAKE ME TO HER--
AS YOU COMMAND.
BRAKA BRAKA BRAKA BRAKA
NO GOOD
BULLETS DON'T PENETRATE
PLATING UP--
--WE'LL USE THE CLIFF--
--GRIND HIM TO POWDER--
PLATING UP.
HE'S TURNING
CAN'T SEE HIM-- WHERE--
OH, CHRIST, CHASTITY, HE'S ON YOU--
--ON YOUR COPTER--
HOLY...
HIS HAND...
SSSSSSSS
HEAT'S ON, CHAS.
SOMETHING PUNCTURED THE FUEL LINES--
HIS HAND
IT'S RED HOT
POOMM
FUEL LINES IT--
THE CLIFF WE--
FUEL'S UP--
--ABANDON SHIP--
TOO LATE--
CHRIST, TOO LATE
TOO LATE, WE'RE FINISHED--


IT'S THE PRESIDENT, SIR. IT'S ABOUT KEN WIND.
COPTER THREE DOWN, COLONEL--
COPTERS ONE AND TWO--HOLD POSITION--
CHASTITY --DO YOU COPY?
...I COPY, COLONEL FURY.
HEAVY CASUALTIES, SIR.
I CAN'T SEE PERRY.
THAT FIRE'S SPREADING, CHASTITY. GET SOME DISTANCE.
COPTER ONE --GET ME A VISUAL--
IMPOSSIBLE, COLONEL-- FLAMES TOO THICK--
GET OUT OF THERE, CHASTITY--
CHASTITY OVER HERE
OVER HERE
GOD
MARGOLIS CUT IN TWO
GOD
--DIRECT ORDER, CHASTITY--
--GET OUT OF THERE--

AND SPENSER, SHE'S GOD
MEKKELSON, YOU SHIT.
YOU CANDY ASS BROWN NOSING SHIT.
MEKKELSON-- GET DOWN--
GET OUT OF THE WAY--
CHASTITY --DO YOU COPY--
SPENSER'S ALL GOD
THINK I DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS YOU, MEKKELSON?
IN THE COMMISSARY.
FILED A REPORT ON ME, YOU SHIT.
GRAB AN EXTRA PIECE OF KEY LIME PIE AND YOU FILE A REPORT.
GOD
CHASTITY-- GET OUT OF--
BAM
THERE-- I SEE HER, COLONEL--
--SHE'S FIRING ON PERRY--
COPTER ONE --PICK HER UP.
--COPTER TWO-- FIX FIREBOMBS--
--TARGET PERRY--

S.H.I.E.L.D

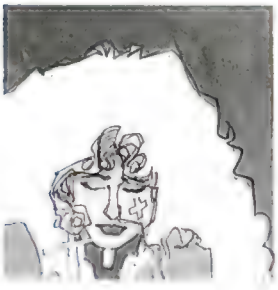
STATUS REPORT, 1800 HOURS. AIR AND GROUND SEARCH TEAMS HAVE FOUND NO SIGN OF PERRY. WE MUST ASSUME PERRY SURVIVED THE BOMBING. *SHIELD* LOSSES FROM THE ENCOUNTER STAND AT *FOUR*--

--MY ENTIRE *CREW*. I TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR MY FAILURE TO KEEP THEM ALIVE, AND SUBMIT MYSELF FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION ...YES, SIR, I UNDERSTAND...YES, SIR, MY *REPORT*...

IT IS CLEAR THAT PERRY IS NOT OPERATING ALONE. REVIEWING RECENT EVENTS HERE AND AT THE SHIELD *LAND BASE* AT *SAN CONCEPCION*, I BELIEVE THAT *PERRY* IS INVOLVED IN AN ORGANIZED *CONSPIRACY*.

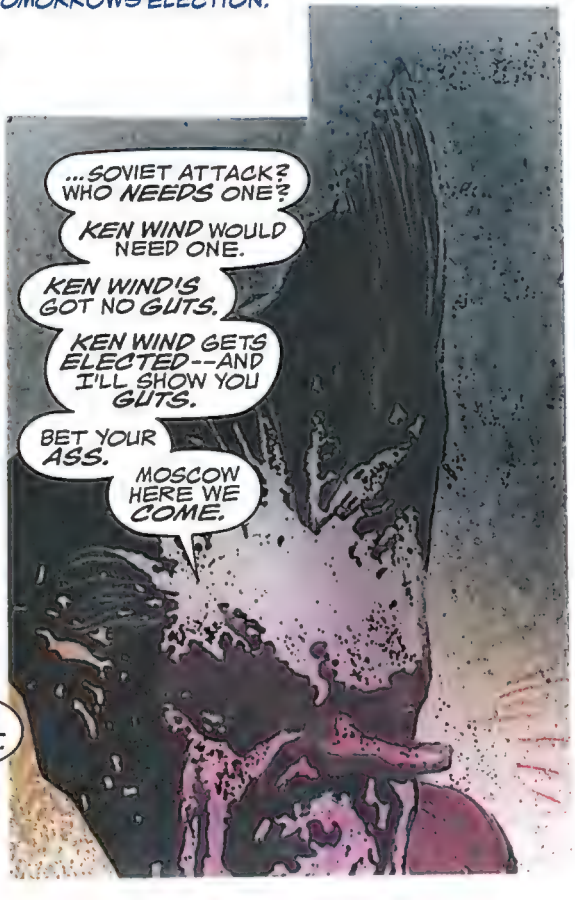
WHILE IT REMAINS UNKNOWN WHAT GROUP OR GOVERNMENT HAS *SPONSORED* THE CONSPIRACY, SPECIAL AGENT *JOHN GARRETT* IS CLEARLY ONE OF PERRY'S *COLLABORATORS*--

--AS IS *THIS* UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN, THE *ASSASSIN* OF SOUTH AMERICAN PRESIDENTE *CARLOS HUEVOS*, AND OF UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR *REICH*.



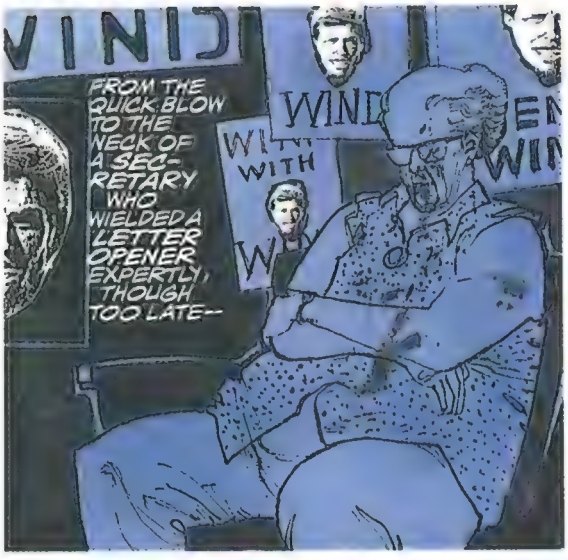
GARRETT HAS CLAIMED THAT HE IS UNDER *PSYCHIC DOMINATION* BY THE WOMAN, AND THAT SHE KILLED *REICH* BECAUSE SHE BELIEVED HIM TO BE POSSESSED BY A *DEMON*.

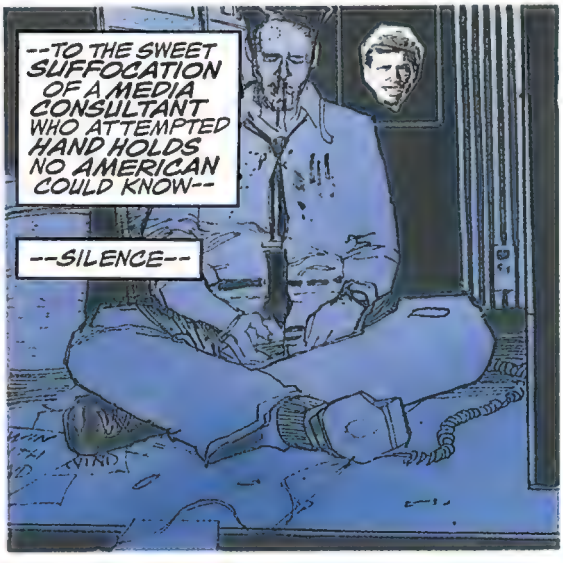
HER NEXT TARGET--AND PRESUMABLY, THAT OF *GARRETT* AND *PERRY* --IS DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE *KEN WIND*. THE LATEST POLLS INDICATE THAT WIND WILL *DEFEAT* THE INCUMBENT IN TOMORROW'S ELECTION.



THE COFFEE SPURTS STUPIDLY INTO THE MACHINE, BREAKING THE LOVELY SILENCE.
PITS
SPTTTTTTTS
SPUTPUTT
CROW
XXX

SILENCE
IN THE CAMPAIGN HEAD-QUARTERS OF KEN WIND.


FROM THE QUICK BLOW TO THE NECK OF A SEC-RETARY WHO WIELDED A LETTER OPENER EXPERTLY, THOUGH TOO LATE--
WIND
WITH

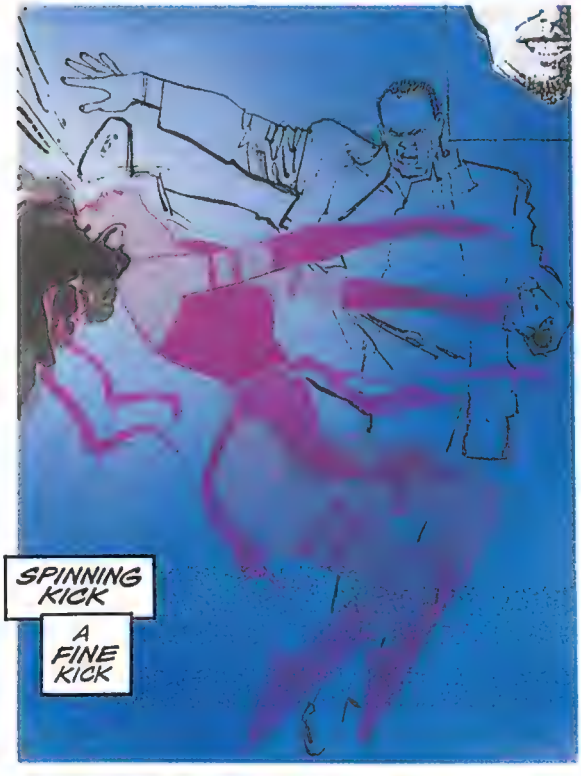

--TO THE SWEET SUFFOCATION OF A MEDIA CONSULTANT WHO ATTEMPTED HAND HOLDS NO AMERICAN COULD KNOW--
--SILENCE--

--AS I CLOSED THE JUGULAR OF THIS FAT ONE--HE LOOKED RIDICULOUS USING TAI CHI--
--BUT USED IT WELL, FOR A MOMENT...

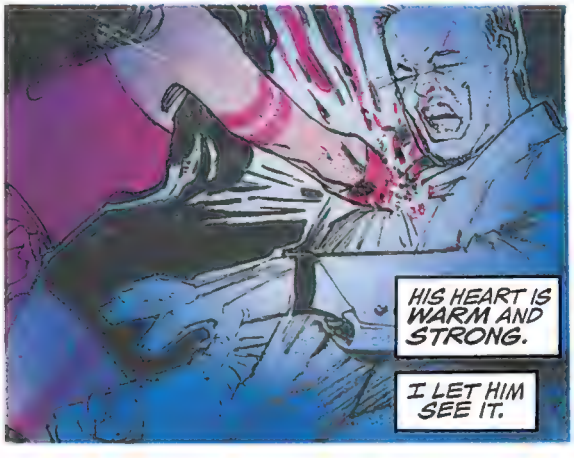
WIND
...NINJA, ALL OF THEM, SERVANTS TO THE BEAST.
THE COFFEE GURGLES ITS LAST IN-TO THE POT--
--TWO PAIRS OF FEET APPROACH--

--THE LAST TWO...
WIND
--MOVES INTO POSITION--
--NO TIME TO PREPARE--
--THE SILENT SHOUT--
CLUMSY ATTACK-- EASY TO DODGE--
--NO--
--HE TRICKS ME--

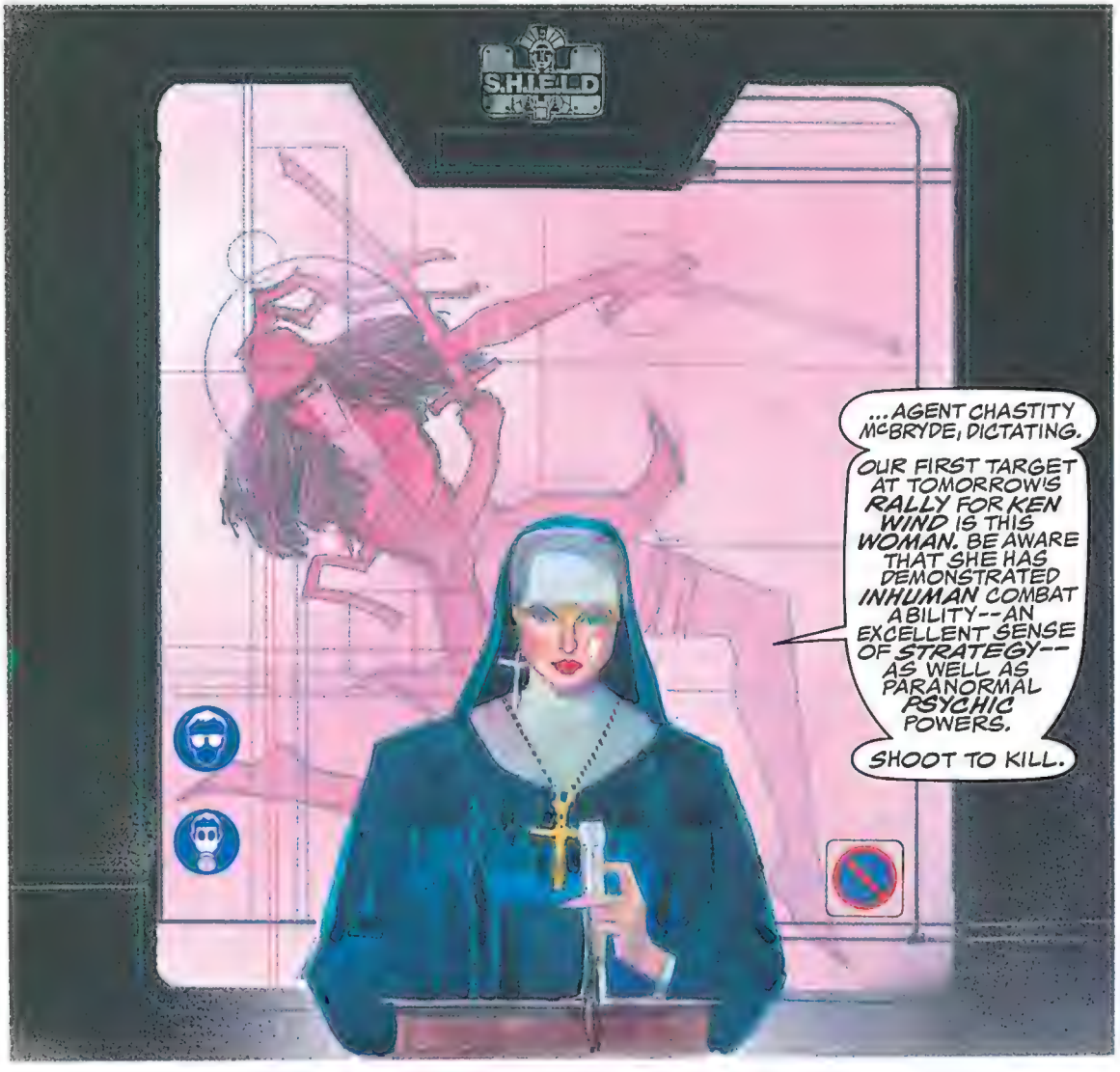
RIDE IT
HE HAS
THREE MOVES
THREE WAYS
TO KILL ME


SPINNING KICK
A FINE KICK

BUT
THE WRONG KICK


HIS HEART IS WARM AND STRONG.
I LET HIM SEE IT.

CREAM
HE CURSES, THEN GURGLES, LIKE THE COFFEE.
THE STENCH MAKES THE MILK EASY TO FIND...



YOU EACH WEAR DEVICES THAT WILL DETECT THE TYPE OF ELECTRONIC EMISSION GENERATED BY CYBORG CIRCUITRY. THESE WILL ALERT YOU TO THE PROXIMITY OF GARRETT AND PERRY.

DO NOT UNDERESTIMATE JOHN GARRETT. HIS SKILLS ARE THOSE OF A FIRST RATE FIELD AGENT. HIS ARTIFICIAL LIMBS ARE EXTREMELY POWERFUL--AND CAN TAKE A LOT OF PUNISHMENT. GO FOR A HEAD WOUND.

MOST DANGEROUS OF ALL IS PERRY. DO NOT TRY TO DIRECTLY ENGAGE HIM. EXTECHOP HAS PROVIDED US WITH A PARTIAL BREAKDOWN OF HIS CAPABILITIES...

...PERRY'S ENTIRE SKELETAL AND NERVOUS SYSTEMS HAVE BEEN BUILT WITH STRESS-RESISTANT PLASTICS AND NEARLY INDESTRUCTIBLE ALLOYS.

HE IS FIREPROOF, BULLETPROOF, AND SHOCKPROOF.

HE NEITHER BREATHES NOR EATS.

HOUSED IN HIS CHEST--ROUGHLY WHERE HIS HEART WOULD BE--IS A MINIATURIZED SOLAR GENERATOR POWERFUL ENOUGH TO LIGHT A CITY BLOCK. THIS GIVES HIM SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH, AND FEEDS LASER WEAPONRY CONCEALED IN HIS SKULL AND FOREARMS.

HIS SKULL IS ALSO EQUIPPED WITH RADAR, SONAR, AND INFRARED SENSORS.

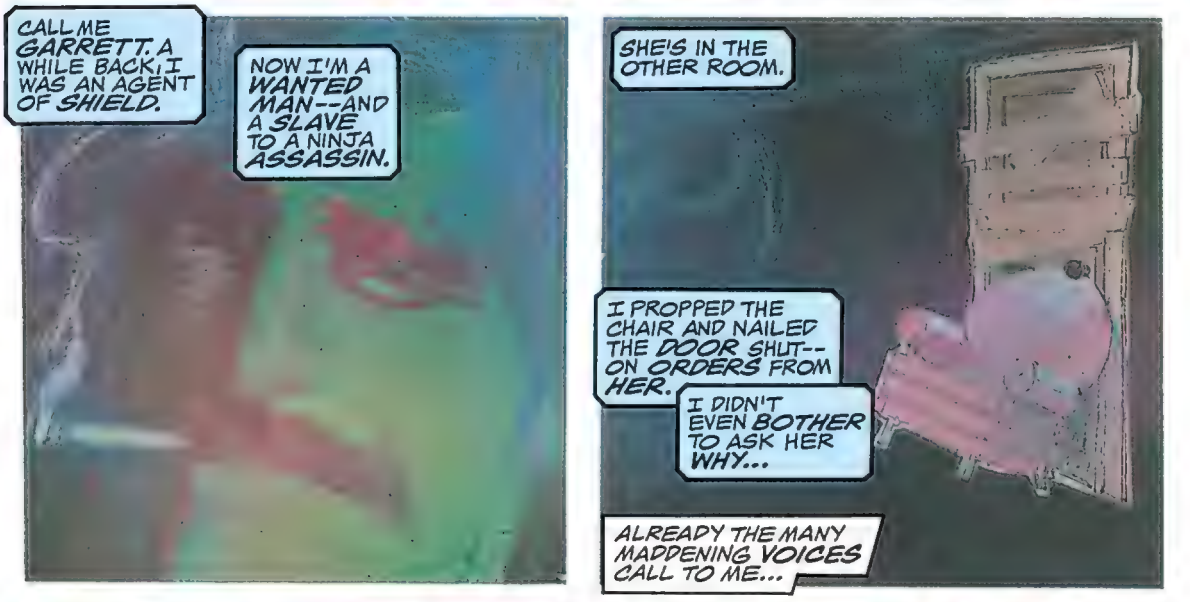
HIS DETACHABLE TOES CONTAIN LETHAL NERVE GAS. HE CAN GENERATE EXTREME HEAT FROM HIS HANDS.

THE ACCIDENTAL ERASURE OF ONE HALF OF PERRY'S FILE LIMITS OUR KNOWLEDGE BEYOND THIS--BUT EXISTING BLUEPRINTS INDICATE THAT HE MAY BE CAPABLE OF SPRAYING ACID FROM HIS EYES AND GENITALIA.

YOU MUST IN NO WAY REGARD PERRY AS HUMAN. INDEED, BUT FOR A PORTION OF LIVING BRAIN, HE IS COMPLETELY THE CREATION OF EXTECHOP TECHNOLOGY.

HE IS ALSO COMPLETELY INSANE.

...PROUD COALITION OF ALL COLORS, ALL CREEDS...
...ALL PEOPLE WITH CONSCIENCE --AND COURAGE TO BUILD A NEW AMERICA...
...FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA...
KEN WIND HAS THE ELECTION IN THE BAG.
HE'S ALSO GOT A DEVIL ON HIS ASS.
HE'S THE LUCKY ONE.
ME, SHE'S GOT BY THE BALLS.

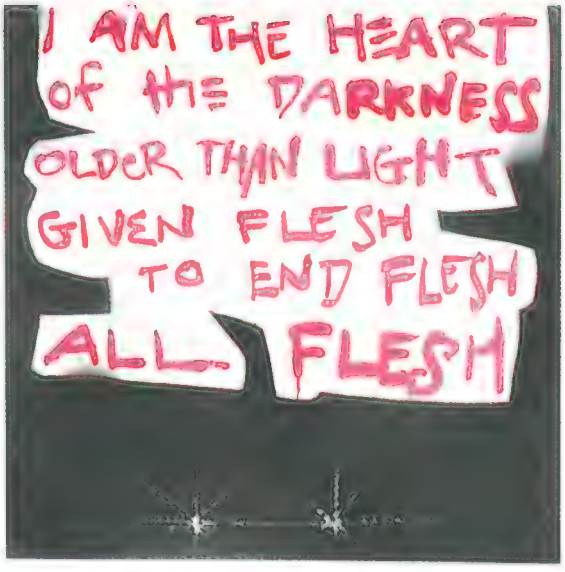

CALL ME GARRETT. A WHILE BACK, I WAS AN AGENT OF SHIELD.
NOW I'M A WANTED MAN--AND A SLAVE TO A NINJA ASSASSIN.
SHE'S IN THE OTHER ROOM.
I PROPPED THE CHAIR AND NAILED THE DOOR SHUT-- ON ORDERS FROM HER.
I DIDN'T EVEN BOTHER TO ASK HER WHY...
ALREADY THE MANY MADDENING VOICES CALL TO ME...

CREAM
...CARRIED ON CHOKING SMOKE--
--FROM THE MILK.
THE MILK OF THE BEAST.
ALREADY MY REASON SLIPS TOWARD THE ABYSS--
--STILL I MUST TASTE IT--
--TO KNOW MY ENEMY--
--TO KNOW HIS PLAN--

--THERE--
--FAR BELOW THE WORLD OF LIGHT AND LIFE--
--THERE--A MONSTER HOLDS A TORCH--
--A MAN I KILLED-- WALKS--
--THE VOICES RISE, CACKLING-- IGNORE THEM--
--THE SNAKES--
HEAR THE SNAKES, PERRY. THEY CHEER FOR YOU.
YOU HAVE BEEN CHOSEN.
--AND NOW THEY STOP--
--ON GOAT'S LEGS IT LUMBERS FORWARD--
--THEY SEE IT--
BEHOLD THE LORD.
THE JACKAL'S SON.
THE BEAST.
YEAH. HEY. GREAT.
LIKE IN ALIEN.
--A RUSH OF VULTURE'S BREATH--
--PLASTIC SKIN PULLS TIGHT--
--A STEEL JAWBONE FLEXES--
THE BEAST IS POWER.
NMMGG.
THE BEAST IS MAGIC.
THE BEAST WILL MAKE YOU CLEAN.
DO NOT TEST HIS STRENGTH.
RELISH IN HIS PRESENCE.
REJOICE
HE FAVORS YOU
WITH HIS MOTHER'S MILK
DRINK DEEP
HE SHARES WITH YOU
HIS HOLY DREAM
HE SPEAKS

In the BEGINNING
There was DARKNESS
Endless COLD
Then came the
CORRUPTION
The POISON
LIGHT
LIFE
FLESH

Now it CRAWLS ACROSS THE WORLD
FILTHY LOUD
INTERRUPTING THE DARKNESS

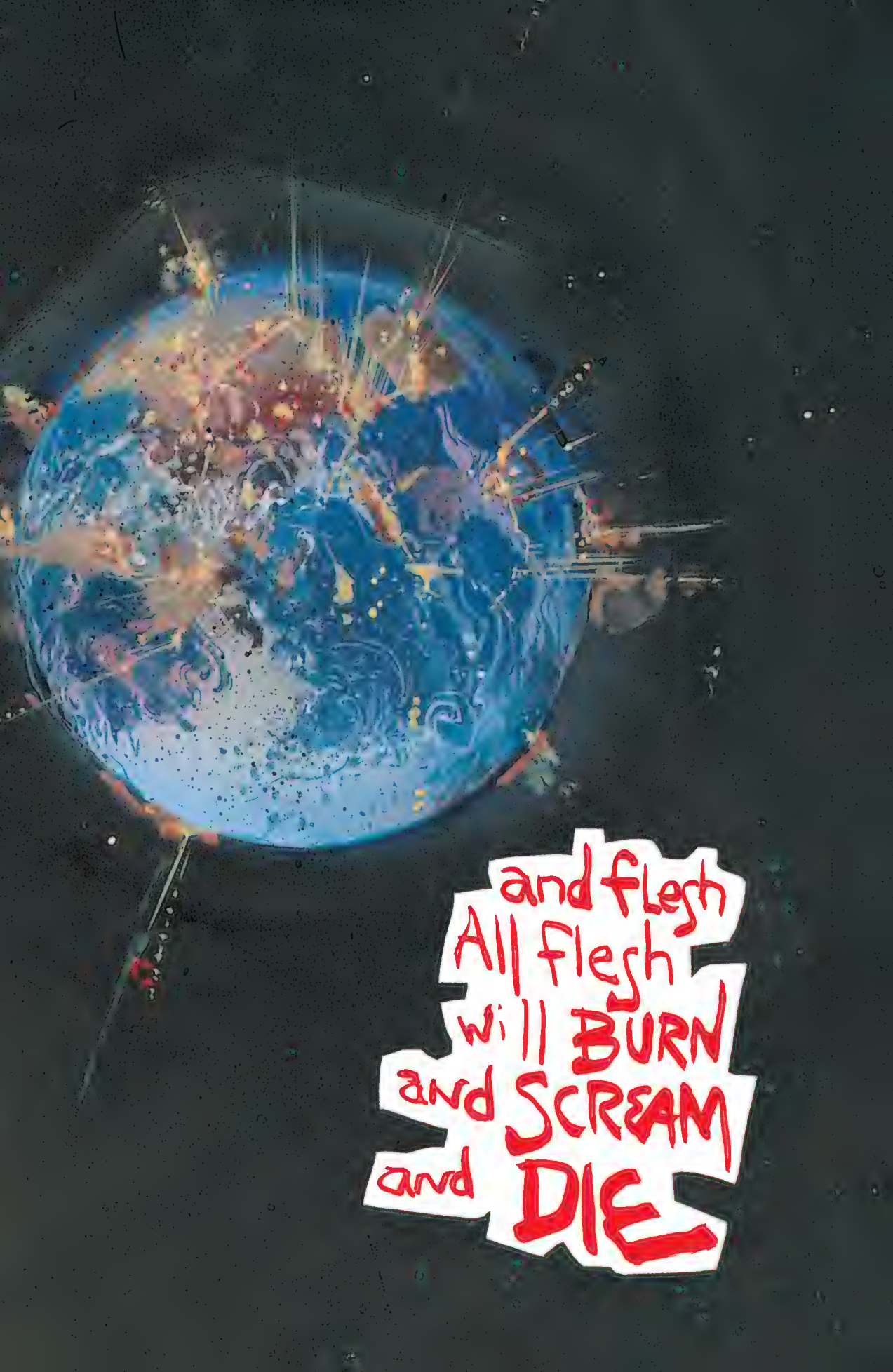

I AM THE HEART of the DARKNESS
OLDER THAN LIGHT
GIVEN FLESH
TO END FLESH
ALL FLESH

THROUGH FLESH I BUILT THE TOOL
of the darkness

The TOOL
ICBM
of the darkness

THE TOOL of the darkness

The TOOL
that will break
the filthy CHAIN
of light and
Noise and
Life and
flesh


and flesh
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will BURN
and SCREAM
and DIE

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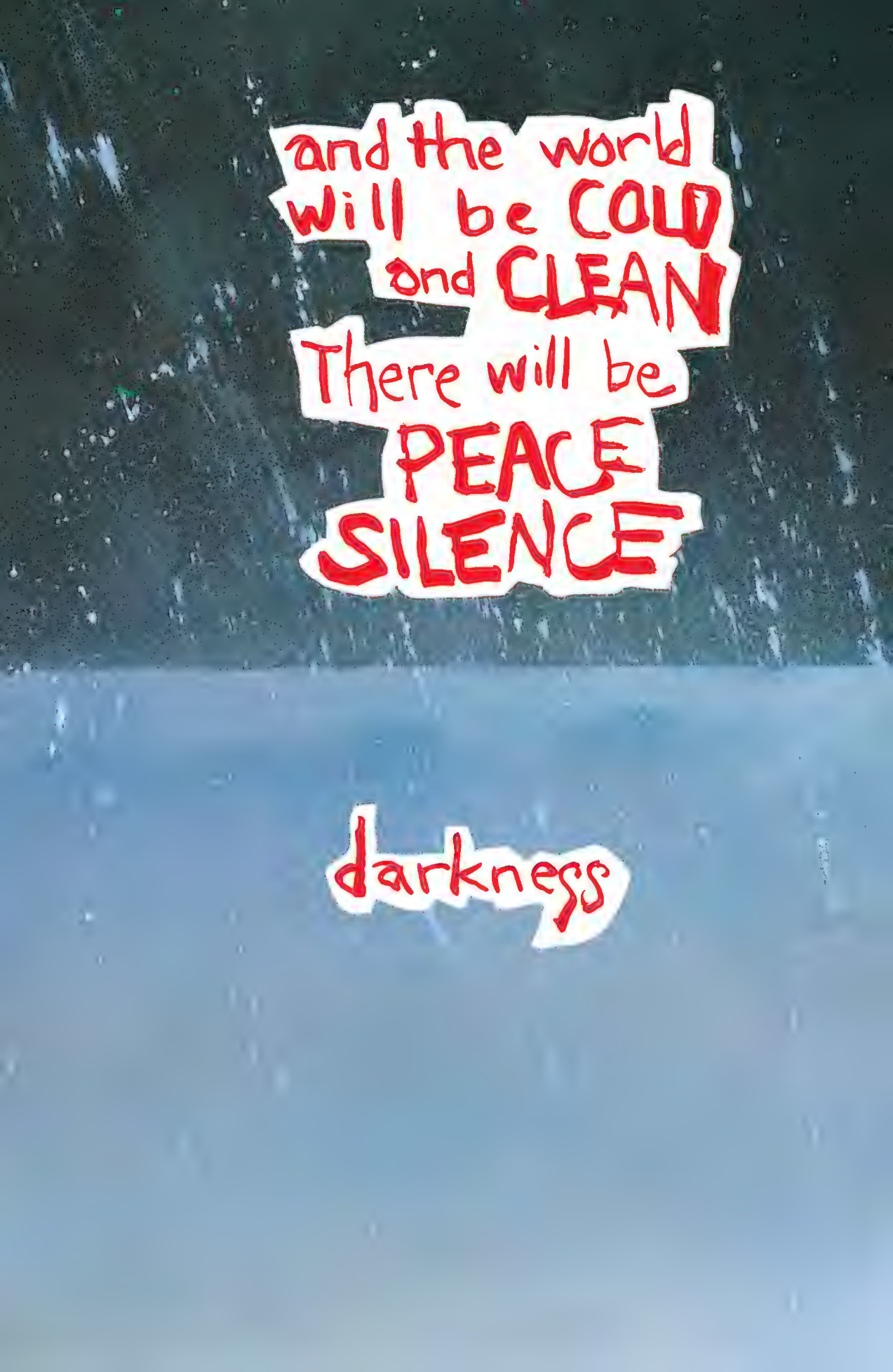
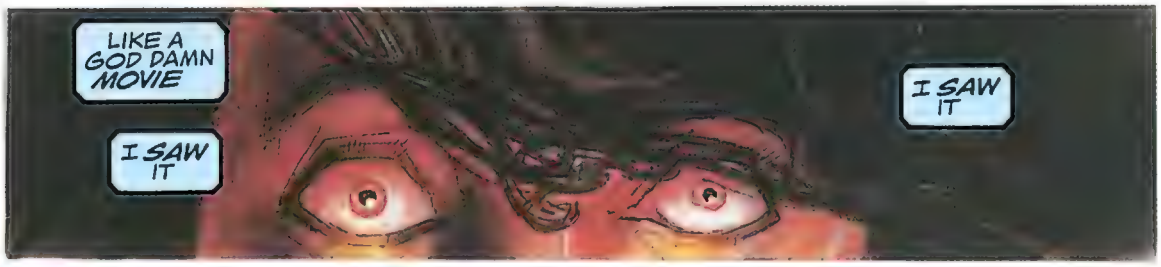
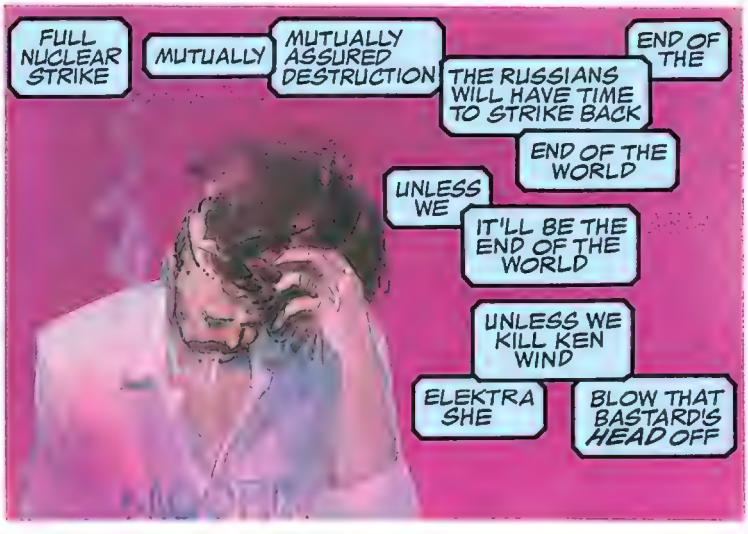

and the world
will be COLD
and CLEAN
There will be
PEACE
SILENCE
darkness

DARKNESS
LORD
MY DEAR LORD
I DIDN'T KNOW
I DIDN'T KNOW
I DIDN'T KNOW
IF I COULD GO THROUGH WITH IT
LORD
SHE BROKE THROUGH THE DOOR
SHE
I DIDN'T KNOW IF I COULD GO THROUGH WITH IT
WITH KILLING KEN WIND
THAT'S WHY I'M HERE
IN THIS ROOM
DRESSING LIKE ICE CREAM MAN
DIDN'T KNOW
WHY
I DIDN'T THOUGHT SHE WAS OUT FOR REVENGE
MOOKIE'S ICE CREAM
KEN WIND
VOTE
KEN WIND IN
WIN WITH WIND
I DIDN'T KNOW
SHE BROKE THROUGH THE DOOR
REACHED OUT WITH HER HAND
GRABBED MY FACE
PLAYED IT FOR ME LIKE A GOD DAMN
GOD DAMN


LIKE A GOD DAMN MOVIE
I SAW IT
I SAW IT

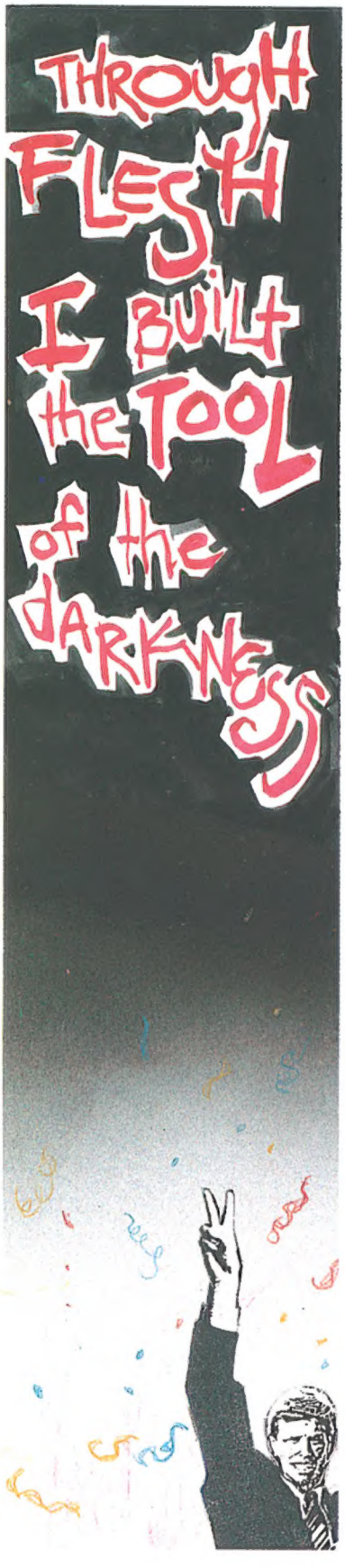
KEN WIND'S
KEN WIND'S FIRST ACT AS PRESIDENT WILL BE TO LAUNCH A FULL NUCLEAR STRIKE ON SOVIET RUSSIA
WIND

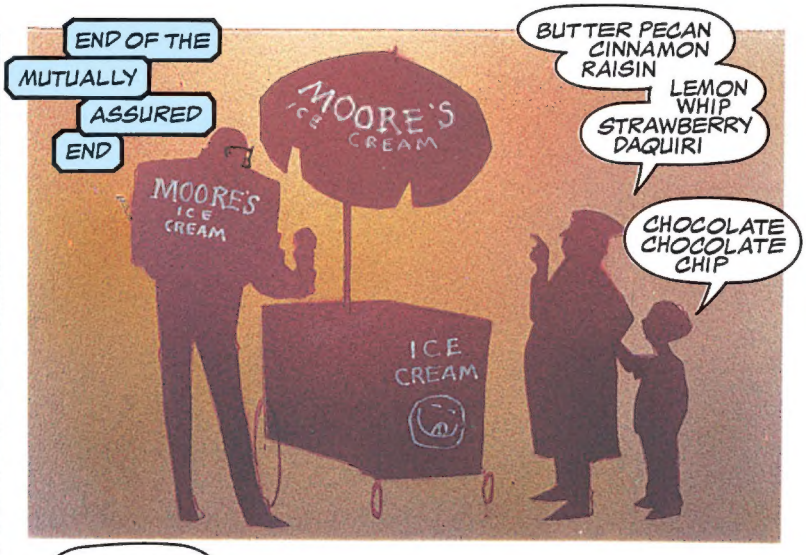

FULL NUCLEAR STRIKE
MUTUALLY
MUTUALLY ASSURED DESTRUCTION
END OF THE
THE RUSSIANS WILL HAVE TIME TO STRIKE BACK
END OF THE WORLD
UNLESS WE
IT'LL BE THE END OF THE WORLD
UNLESS WE KILL KEN WIND
ELEKTRA SHE
BLOW THAT BASTARD'S HEAD OFF

MY DEAR LORD
ELEKTRA
SHE'S CRAZY
BUT SHE'S RIGHT

"...WITH TWENTY PER CENT OF THE VOTE IN, WE PREDICT THAT KEN WIND IS THE WINNER IN NEW YORK STATE..."
NEW YORK

EAST COAST FAGGOTS.
NO GUTS.
...CONTINUING WHAT'S SHAPING UP TO BE A CLEAN SWEEP OF NEW ENGLAND...
...PENNSYLVANIA ...IT'S WIND...
...RECORD TURNOUT...
...DELAWARE...
DELAWARE.
MY ASS.
MOSCOW HERE WE COME.
NOW, HONEY...
...MIDWEST RETURNS ARE COMING IN...
I'LL DO IT. I'VE GOT THE GUTS.
I'M THE PRESIDENT.
YES, HONEY.
DAMN STRAIGHT.
MAYBE WE SHOULD TAKE THAT BOX AWAY FROM HIM.
WHY BOTHER...
GUTS
"MICHIGAN... IT'S LOOKING LIKE A LANDSLIDE, FOLKS..."
MICH.


THROUGH FLESH I BUILT the TOOL of the DARKNESS


END OF THE
MUTUALLY
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MOORE'S ICE CREAM
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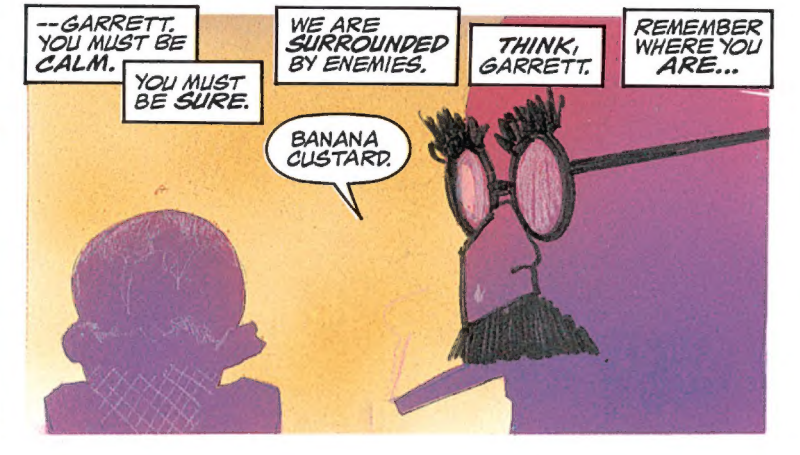
BUTTER PECAN
CINNAMON
RAISIN
LEMON
WHIP
STRAWBERRY
DAQUIRI
CHOCOLATE
CHOCOLATE
CHIP

GETTING A SIGNAL. IT'S WEAK...
THERE.
THERE.
SHIELD AGENTS.

AND OVER THERE --BY THE BANDSTAND--
--NINJA.
END OF THE
END OF THE
SON OF A
VANILLA FUDGE
GOD DAMN WORLD
GARRETT--
SON OF A
BITCH
GARRETT--


--GARRETT. YOU MUST BE CALM.
YOU MUST BE SURE.
WE ARE SURROUNDED BY ENEMIES.
THINK, GARRETT.
REMEMBER WHERE YOU ARE...
BANANA CUSTARD.

THE RALLY, GARRETT.
THE KEN WIND VICTORY RALLY.
YOU ARE IN THE CROWD.
I AM BEHIND IT.
POOR GARRETT. HE WILL NOT SURVIVE THIS.
HE HAS FALLEN INTO A WORLD-- A LIVING HELL HE WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND.
MY WORLD.
NOW A CHEER RISES, LIKE A WAVE. WIND IS TAKING EVERY STATE.
SOON, HE WILL APPEAR.
ANOTHER CHEER-- THEY LEAP TO THEIR FEET. THEY JUMP AND PUSH FORWARD. THEY DROP SOFT DRINKS AND BAGS OF SALTED NUTS--
--AND CRY WITH LOVE FOR THEIR KING.

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